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Requiring certain committees of Congress to review and evaluate the activities and progress of the Government of Iraq in securing and stabilizing Iraq.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. Gerlach submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on _____

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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- 1 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate
- 2 concurring),
- 3 SECTION 1. REVIEW AND EVALUATION OF ACTIVITIES AND
- 4 PROGRESS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF IRAQ IN
- 5 SECURING AND STABILIZING IRAQ.
- 6 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:



| 1 | (1) Thousands of American military heroes |
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| 2 | have fought and died for Iraqi freedom and liberty |
| 3 | and Congress honors these fallen heroes and the sac- |
| 4 | rifices they have made. |
| 5 | (2) The American people have invested billions |
| 6 | of dollars and the sacrifices of their loved ones on |
| 7 | behalf of the Iraqi people and the cause of freedom. |
| 8 | (3) The Government of Iraq should be encour- |
| 9 | aged and motivated to assume full control over its |
| 10 | security and internal affairs |
| 11 | (4) The Government and people of Iraq should |
| 12 | understand that American military and economic |
| 13 | support are not limitless and that ultimate responsi- |
| 14 | bility for Iraqi security and management lies with |
| 15 | the Iraqis themselves. |
| 16 | (b) Sense of Congress.—It is the sense of Con- |
| 17 | gress that the appropriate congressional committees |
| 18 | should take a more active role in determining and report- |
| 19 | ing on the activities and progress of the Government of |
| 20 | Iraq in securing and stabilizing Iraq. |
| 21 | (c) REVIEW AND EVALUATION; REPORT.—The ap- |
| 22 | propriate congressional committees shall— |
| 23 | (1) review and evaluate the specific activities |
| 24 | and level of success of the Government of Iraq to— |



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| 1 | (A) maintain primary operational control |
| 2 | and responsibility to combat and defeat the in- |
| 3 | surgency movement within Iraq; |
| 4 | (B) maintain proper civil order within |
| 5 | Iraq; |
| 6 | (C) foster and achieve an appropriate level |
| 7 | of economic growth and self-sufficiency; and |
| 8 | (D) preserve and protect the Iraqi people's |
| 9 | political, social, and religious freedoms as set |
| 10 | forth in the Constitution of Iraq; and |
| 11 | (2) prepare a report that contains the findings |
| 12 | and conclusions of the review and evaluation con- |
| 13 | ducted under paragraph (1). |
| 14 | (d) Report.— |
| 15 | (1) In general.—Not later than 90 days after |
| 16 | the date of the adoption of this concurrent |
| 17 | resolution— |
| 18 | (A) the appropriate congressional commit- |
| 19 | tees described in subsection (f)(1) shall submit |
| 20 | to the Clerk of the House of Representatives |
| 21 | the report described in subsection (c)(2); and |
| 22 | (B) the appropriate congressional commit- |
| 23 | tees described in subsection (f)(2) shall submit |
| 24 | to the Secretary of the Senate the report de- |
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scribed in subsection (c)(2).



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| 1 | (e) Rule of Construction.—Nothing in this sec |
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| 2 | tion shall be construed to preclude the appropriate con |
| 3 | gressional committees from establishing ad hoc advisory |
| 4 | committees to advise and assist the appropriate congres |
| 5 | sional committees in carrying out the review and evalua |
| 6 | tion under subsection (c). |
| 7 | (f) Definition.—In this concurrent resolution, the |
| 8 | term "appropriate congressional committees" means— |
| 9 | (1) the Committee on Armed Services, the |
| 10 | Committee on International Relations, and the Per |
| 11 | manent Select Committee on Intelligence of the |
| 12 | House of Representatives; and |
| 13 | (2) the Committee on Armed Services, the |
| 14 | Committee on Foreign Relations, and the Select |
| 15 | Committee on Intelligence of the Senate. |

